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INFORMATIONAL LETTER NO.1063

TO: Iowa Medicaid Physician, Dentist, Advanced Registered Nurse

> Practitioner, Therapeutically Certified Optometrist, Podiatrist, Pharmacy, Home Health Agency, Rural Health Clinic, Clinic, Skilled Nursing Facility, Intermediate Care Facility, Community Mental Health, Family Planning, Residential Care Facility, ICF MR State, Community Based ICF/MR

Providers and Maternal Health Centers.

DATE: October 14, 2011

FROM: Iowa Department of Human Services, Iowa Medicaid Enterprise (IME)

SUBJECT: Smoking Cessation Prior Authorization (PA) Requests

EFFECTIVE: Immediately

Effective July 1, 2011, a new vendor for Quitline Iowa began processing prior authorization (PA) requests. The fax referral number for Quitline lowa is **1-866-688-7577**. The number to contact Quitline Iowa by telephone did not change and remains 1-800-QUIT-NOW (1-800-784-8669). Please refer to the updated PA forms, Nicotine Replacement Therapy (470-4421) and Smoking CessationTherapy-Oral (470-4517), posted on the website at: http://www.iowamedicaidpdl.com/index.pl/pa forms?noCache=662;1318359998

Effective November 1, 2011, PA requests that are faxed to the previous vendor will not be received by Quitline Iowa. Failure to fax the PA requests to the new fax number will result in a delay in the member starting smoking cessation therapy.

We encourage providers to go to the website at www.iowamedicaidpdl.com to view all recent changes to the Pharmacy program. If you have questions, please contact the Pharmacy Prior Authorization Helpdesk at 877-776-1567 or 515-256-4607 (local in Des Moines) or email info@iowamedicaidpdl.com.